



HT Committee annual meeting report:

The Horological Times committee has reviewed all articles submitted for potential printing and has recommended acceptance, rejection or modification of the content as needed. All committee members were active in participating in the duties of this committee.

Prior to the mid year meeting committee member Jordan Ficklin, CW21 submitted a proposal to encourage the students from the REC schools to submit articles for potential publication. Since that time the schools were contacted and to date one article was submitted which was reviewed and returned for revision. A copy of Jordan's original proposal is included for reference below.

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Chairman, Horological Times Committee

From HT Committee Member Jordan Ficklin, CW21:

I propose that we contact the directors of the REC schools and encourage the submission of articles by students on a monthly basis. Ideally each student would submit a short article each month. Staff at the school could narrow the submissions down to 1 or 2 from each school and the best work could be published in HT. We, as a committee, could be the judges. Students could, of course, be rewarded financially and outstanding work could be recognized at the convention. I think a compensation of \$50 to \$100 (to the top 1 or 2 articles) would be more than sufficient incentive to inspire student submissions. Students at LWT are already writing one page weekly reports discussing items learned in class. If we could encourage these reports to become more refined, and perhaps by having the students submit photos or illustrations along with their reports, this would be an excellent source for articles. To give you an idea of what kinds of information this might produce; a quick review of reports I wrote while at LWT revealed such topics as:

Heat treating steel	Filing a square from round stock
Use of the drill press	Sharpening Gravers
The components of a lathe	Procedure for creating a winding stem
Polishing the cylinders of a stem	Repairing a broken lathe belt
Servicing the watchmaker's lathe	Burnishing
The Automatic Burnisher	Working principles of a quartz watch
Burr Removal	Riveting a balance staff
Calibrating Measuring Tools	Cutting Geometry for the lathe
Truing a bent wheel	Installing the dial and hands
The Hand Turns	Basics of watch lubrication
Escapement Checks	Fork Horn & Guard pin clearances
Removing a roller from a balance	Removing a staff from a balance wheel
Centering existing hole in the face plate of a lathe	
Screwdriver Preparation (I remember seeing this in HT about 3 years ago)	